

**MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY
STAFF CONGRESS MINUTES
JULY 8, 2000**

MEMBERS:

Jeff Barker
Sharon Beller
Larry Besant
Thelma Bumgardner
Vincent Butler
Gene Caudill

*Joy Cecil
Dan Connell
Lenore Dixon
*Patty Eldridge
Rosemary Hinton
Betty Hurley

*David Jessie
Linda Kegley
Margaret LaFontaine
*Velda Mabry
*Rhonda Mackin
Zack McClurg

Pam Moore
Carole Morella
Joel Pace
Belva Sammons
Dallas Sammons
Tim Smith

*Wilma Stegall
*Stephanie Stewart
Todd Thacker
Madonna Weathers
Kenneth White
*Ricky Williams

***Denotes member was absent**

Guests:

Roger Barker, Office of Human Resources

The meeting was called to order by Chair Thacker at 1 p.m. Chair Thacker asked Rep. D. Sammons to take minutes of the meeting until a secretary was elected. Minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. Corrections were made as follows:

The resolution honoring Larry Stephenson was added to the minutes. (See attachment)

MOTION:

June minutes were approved as amended.

Proposed: Rep. Hinton

Seconded: Rep. Beller

Called for Vote:

Passed

CHAIR'S REPORT - Chair Thacker reported that Vice-president Daily had informed him the Retirees Tuition Waiver request had been turned down. However, Vice-president Daily wanted to remind Staff Congress that a discount on green fees at the golf course had been approved for seniors and that seniors could also take advantage of the Caudill Fellows program, which provides free tuition for citizens 65 and above at any Kentucky college.

Chair Thacker read the recommendation from retired Vice-Chair Larry Stephenson's Credentials and Elections Committee for Margaret LaFontaine, Belva Sammons, and Kenny White to fill current Staff Congress vacancies. A discussion followed concerning the length of term for the new replacements. It was questioned whether newly appointed members should serve the length of term that was vacant or whether newly elected members should be moved up to two-year terms. Chair Thacker recommended that the new appointees serve a one-year term. Since the appointees were recommend from a committee a motion was not required. Each appointee was voted on individually. All appointees were elected unanimously.

Chair Thacker asked Parliamentarian B. Sammons to conduct the election for Staff Congress Officers for the 2000-2001 year.

Rep. D. Sammons was nominated for Secretary by Rep. Thacker; seconded by Rep. White. Rep. Barker proposed that Rep. D. Sammons be elected by acclamation. Seconded by Rep. Dixon. **Motion passed.**

Rep. Moore was nominated for Vice Chair. Rep. Dixon proposed that Rep. Moore be elected by acclamation. Seconded by Rep. Besant. **Motion passed.**

Rep. Weathers was nominated for Chair. Rep. Moore proposed that Rep. Weathers be elected by acclamation. Seconded by Rep. Thacker. **Motion passed.**

Committee Reports

Credentials and Elections Committee - Given by Rep. Thacker in the Chair's Report.

Standing Appointments Sub-Committee - No Report

Fiscal Affairs Committee - No Report

Personnel Policies and Benefits Committee - No Report

REGENT'S REPORT - Regent Caudill reported the Board of Regents approved the university's Operating Budget and Personnel Roster and the President's contract for the coming year. A Board of Regents workshop (Board members only) will be held in Lexington, July 26th for two days. The Administrative Retreat will be held August 7th and 8th at Sheltoewe Country Club.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS- Rep. Thacker asked that the Retirees Tuition Waiver Benefit be revisited by the Personnel Policies and Benefits Committee. It was suggested that a cost analysis be done based on the number of retirees with children that might use this benefit. Several university employees would possible retire if such a benefit was in place. Chair Thacker had spoken with several employees that were remaining at the university because they could only take advantage of the tuition waiver benefit if they were employed by the university. Chair Weathers asked the Personnel Policies and Benefits Committee to revisit this request.

Chair Weathers asked all representatives to break into assigned committees to get organized and elect committee chairs. New members were asked to choose a committee they would like to serve on. Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs for the 2000-2001 year are as follows:

Credentials and Elections Committee

Sharon Bell - Vice Chair

Standing Appointments Committee

Rosemary Hinton - Chair

Stephanie Stewart - Vice Chair

Fiscal Affairs Committee

Belva Sammons - Chair

David Jessie - Vice Chair

Personnel Policies and Benefits Committee

Joel Pace - Chair

Larry Besant - Vice Chair

Rep. Weathers asked the Credentials and Elections Committee to meet to replace Rep. Wilma Stegall who is on leave from the university and has missed Staff Congress meetings since January 2000.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 14, 2000

Last SOAR Date

August 7, 2000

Next Staff Congress Meeting

August 15, 2000

Residence Halls will officially open

August 16-18, 2000

Business Days

August 16, 2000

Faculty/Staff Breakfast

August 17, 2000

New Students arrive on Aug. 17 for orientation that will take place on Aug. 17 - 20.

August 18, 2000

Faculty/Staff Picnic

MOTION:

Adjournment

Proposed: Rep. Butler

Seconded: Rep. Moore

Called For Vote:

Passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Minutes by:

Dallas F. Sammons, Secretary